Resolution No. 129 March 15, 2016

Amending The 2016 Ulster County Budget To Reimburse The Town Of Denning For Flood Mitigation Work Performed On Clair Road In The Wake Of Hurricane Irene

Referred to: The Government Efficiency and Review Committee (Chairman J. Parete and Legislators Belfiglio, Greene, Loughran and R. Parete), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, and Maloney)

Legislator John R Parete offers the following:

WHEREAS, Hurricane Irene devastated Ulster County leaving in its wake considerable property damage; and

WHEREAS, Clair Road in the Town of Denning was rendered impassable by the storm and required extensive repair; and

WHEREAS, through consultation with the County of Ulster and Empire State Development of New York State, the Town of Denning applied for and was approved to receive certain grants from the State of New York through the New York Works Program to help remediate, mitigate and reduce flooding in Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, as part of the New York State grant process, the County of Ulster is required to undertake efforts to facilitate the release of grant funding approved through the New York Works Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning, in reliance upon its approval for a grant through the New York Works Program, completed necessary steps to contract with Kingston Equipment Rental/Baker Brothers to remediate flood damage and help mitigate future flooding on Clair Road; and

WHEREAS, work was completed in November 2012; and

WHEREAS, the County of Ulster has failed to complete the required steps to facilitate the grant process and, as a result, the sum of \$25,300.80 has not been released to the Town of Denning to cover its flood remediation and mitigation costs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning has paid in full the reimbursable \$25,300.88 due to Kingston Equipment Rental/Baker Brothers; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning continues to suffer financial hardship as a result of the flood remediation and mitigation costs; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, that the 2016 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

DECREASE AMOUNT Contingency AA.1990.1331-4600.4660 \$25,300.88 (Appr.#) and, be it further RESOLVED, that no County money shall be paid to the Town of Denning until a Memorandum of Receipt signed by the Supervisor of the Town of Denning, providing for the County of Ulster's full reimbursement in the event the Town receives flood remediation monies from the State of New York and/or the New York Works Program, is delivered to the Commissioner of Finance; and, be it further RESOLVED, upon delivery of the Memorandum of Receipt the Commissioner of Finance is authorized and directed to issue payment in the amount of \$25,300.88 to the Town of Denning for flood remediation and mitigation costs stemming from Hurricane Irene, and moves its adoption. ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: NOES: Passed Committee: Government Efficiency and Review on ______. Passed Committee: Ways and Means on ______.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$25,300.88 – 2016 COUNTY DOLLARS